



Vernham Dean Gillum's Church of England Primary
School

Newsletter

Friday 20th July 2018



A Message from Mrs Hawkings

Thank you to all of you who came to watch your amazing children at the summer production. It was fantastic to see so many parents/carers and wider family members there supporting your children. The children really did themselves and us proud. I wish to thank all the children for their hard work and dedication to learning their parts. I would also like to say a huge thank you to all the staff who put the production together and Mrs Lloyd who supported the children to learn the songs. We managed to raise, with the Summer Production and stalls afterwards, a total of £1385 so far. Thank you to all of you who contributed to the stalls either by donating or purchasing goods. That is a huge amount of money of which we will put to good use in the school. More details of what we use it for will follow in September.

It has been a phenomenal year! I haven't been here for long but I am truly humbled by the friendliness of parents/carers/children and staff. We truly have a special school and I am looking forward to the new academic year. Of course at this time there is always a sense of sadness as our Year 6's move on to the next stage of their learning journey at Secondary school and we wish them the best of luck! As well as those teaching staff who are also moving on to their next stage. Mrs Hall is off to learn how to play the piano and will be visiting Australia, Mrs Richardson will be spending more time at home with her daughter and of course Mrs Brozstek will have a new baby to keep her busy!

I hope you all enjoy a fantastic summer break and I look forward to seeing all of you in September!

School Term and Holiday Dates 2018/19

Autumn 2018: 3 September 2018 - 21 December 2018
(3rd September is an INSET Day first day back for Years 1-6 Tuesday 4th September)
Year R start Thursday 6th September 8:55am—12:00pm

Half term: 22 – 26 October 2018

Spring 2019: 7 January 2019—5 April 2019

Half term: 18 - 22 February 2019

Summer 2019: 23 April 2019 -23 July 2019

Half term: 27 May – 31 May 2019

INSET Days Monday 3rd September, Friday 21st December, Friday 5th April 2019, Monday 22nd July and Tuesday 23rd July 2019

School Meals September

Please note the price of school meals will increase to £2.30 effective from 1st September 2018. Children in year R, 1 and 2 are entitled to a Universal hot free school meal at lunchtime. The Menu will continue until October with the following changes:

Thursdays Week 1 - Blue week

- The meat option is now chicken fillet with gravy and mash potato or pasta & vegetables

Vegetarian option as before

Thursday Weeks 2 - Orange week

- Meat option is now roast beef with gravy and mash potato or pasta & vegetables

Vegetarian option as before

(picnic lunches will not be available the Autumn term).

Please ensure all meals are paid for on the day or in advance. All payments must be brought to the office in a named and sealed envelope.